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SUBJ 55TH ECOSOC - ITEM 9 (C): WEST ASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION

REF TELECON MOREY AND FERGUSON JULY 20

1. DRAFT OF RESOLUTION REQUESTING ICJ OPINION IS AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE. THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

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HAVING RECEIVED THE PROPOSAL FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR WESTERN ASIA AS CONTAINED IN E/L.1497/REV. 2.

NOTING PARTICULARLY PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH 2, AND OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 1 (B) OF THE RESOLUTION.

1. NOTES THAT ARTICLE 96 (2) OF THE UN CHARTER EMPOWERS THE ORGANS OF THE UNITED NATIONS BY THE GA TO REQUEST ADVISORY OPINIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE ON LEGAL QUESTIONS ARISING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THEIR ACTIVITIES,

2. NOTES FURTHER THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 89 (I) AUTHORIZES THE COUNCIL TO REQUEST ADVISORY OPINIONS OF THE COURT ON LEGAL QUESTIONS ARISING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF ITS ACTIVITIES,

3. REQUESTS THE COURT TO RENDER AN ADVISORY OPINION ON THE FOLLOWING ISSUE: "WOULD THE ESTABLISHMENT BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL, OF AN ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR WESTERN ASIA, WITH MEMBERSHIP DETERMINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DRAFT RESOLUTION CONTAINED IN DOCUMENT E/L.1497/REV. 2, BE CONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER IN PARTICULAR ARTICLE 2, PARAGRAPH 1 THEREOF, AND WITH THE PRACTICE OF THE ORGANIZATION UNDER THE RELEVANT ARTICLES",

4. DECIDES, PENDING RECEIPT OF THE ADVISORY OPINION, TO POSTPONE FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSAL. UNQUOTE. BASSIN UNQTE ROGERS

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